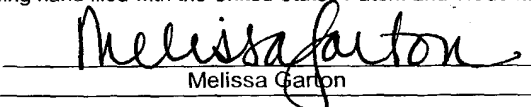


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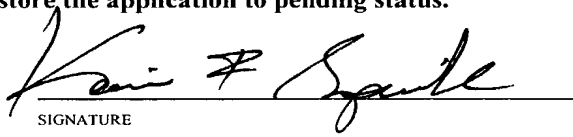
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## New Description Pages

Method and system for redirection of telecommunications links

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The present invention relates to a method and a system for redirection of telecommunications links, which, in particular, allows teleworkers to be included in a corporate network.

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In addition to the normal basic services - in general, these comprise in setting up telecommunications links and transmitting user data for communication - the providers of public telecommunications networks offer a range of supplementary services. The present invention relates to the call redirection service, which allows a user to redirect incoming links, in various conditions, to other conditions, for example to automatic announcements, to an operator or to a variable connection at which the user can temporarily be reached.

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Such call redirection is, for example, also used by so-called teleworkers. This expression means company employees who, in addition to their company work station, also work at home for the company and, in particular, are intended to be accessible by telephone there. Teleworkers such as these include, for example, insurance agents. When such a teleworker activates call redirection, incoming telephone calls to his company work station are automatically redirected to his home connection.

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For about 15 years, it has been possible, for example with ISDN links and with analogue connections, to be notified of the telephone number of a caller. In the case of ISDN links, in parallel with the user data, which is used for communication, in the B channel,

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information data is in this case transmitted in the D channel, reflecting a connection identification, and this information data is evaluated and displayed by an appropriately designed telecommunications apparatus.

5 When, during his work the teleworker thus calls a customer from home, then it is possible for the customer, without any problems, to learn the private number of the teleworker. The customer would then be able to call the teleworker at home even in time

10 periods in which he is not working at all, and could thus disturb him in his free time. A further problem could also arise, for example, if the teleworker changes his place of work, and is working in the same



station) instead of the connection identification of the second telecommunications connection. Accordingly, with the method according to the invention, a business caller in principle is informed only of the company number, but not of the private number. From the point of view of the customer, he is thus in principle calling his insurance agent at his company work station, and/or is being called by his insurance agent from his company work station. This thus makes it possible, in accordance with German labour laws, to ensure that the teleworker cannot be disturbed during his free time, since business calls are redirected to him at home only when he has registered for call redirection.

Developments of the invention are the subject matter of the dependent claims. If the company connection of the teleworker is a main connection, then the telecommunications links are normally redirected in the public switching centers themselves. For this purpose, for example, the public switching center for the first telecommunications connection includes means for storage of the connection identification of the first telecommunications connection, of the second telecommunications connection to which, when necessary, the link is redirected, and of status information which indicates whether redirection should or should not be carried out. A link which has been set up to the first telecommunications connection is then redirected in this public switching center itself.

In a similar way, information which states what the response of the home connection of the teleworker should be is now also stored in the public switching center for the second telecommunications connection. This information includes inter alia, the connection identifications of the first and second telecommunications connections. When telecommunications

links are set up from home connection, then, when necessary, the information data is automatically modified accordingly in this second public switching center. Since the telecommunications links are set up in the public switching centers under computer control, the redirection and modification of the information data according to the invention can easily be carried out by an addition to the control software.

10 If the teleworker works for a relatively large company,  
then the connections to the company work stations are  
normally in this case combined in a private branch  
exchange (PBX). Modern private branch exchanges already  
allow the call redirection service. However,  
15 redirection is in this case carried out only for tele-  
communications links which arrive in the private branch  
exchange and are then, when necessary, passed back from  
the private branch exchange via the public switching  
center to the home connection. The lines between the  
20 private branch exchange and the public switching center  
are thus loaded twice by a redirected link.  
Furthermore, it is impossible to make outgoing calls  
from the home work station as if, from the point of  
view of the person being called, they have been made  
25 from the company work station.

In order to integrate connections within a private branch exchange into the concept of call redirection according to the invention, and to avoid unnecessarily using resource lines between the private branch exchange and the public switching center, it is possible to store information in the private branch exchange controller and in the public switching center as to whether call redirection is or is not activated for a specific private branch exchange connection. Telecommunications links which have been set up from an external telecommunications connection to this private branch exchange connection are, just like the main

connections, redirected to the home connection in the public switching center itself. Furthermore, telephone calls from a fourth telecommunications connection, which is likewise a connection within the private  
5 branch exchange, are easily passed to the public switching center when call redirection is activated, and redirected from there to the home connection on the basis of the stored information.

10 A situation can also occur in which the teleworker wishes to call a private branch exchange connection from his home connection. In this case, it is possible for the control software in the public switching center for the home connection to identify an internal  
15 telephone number within a private branch exchange, and to set up a link to that private branch exchange automatically. This means that it is not evident even to a telecommunications connection within the private branch exchange whether the teleworker is at his  
20 company work station or at his home work station.

In accordance with one advantageous development, call redirection can be activated in a simple manner from the home work station, to be precise by setting up a  
25 telecommunications link to one of the two public switching centers that are involved, and by transmitting a suitable control signal, for example by entering a specific code and/or a PIN number. The information that call redirection is activated is then  
30 at the same time also transmitted to the other public switching center. If the company work station is part of a private branch exchange, then it is possible to provide for an appropriate control signal to be transmitted to the private branch exchange as well. If  
35 the private branch exchange is unable to receive such a control signal, then the desired redirection can be reported to the private branch exchange actually on leaving the company work station, with the final call



redirection then being activated from the teleworker's home. In the intervening time, it is possible to provide for all links set up to that company connection to be passed to a mailbox.

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Even after activation of call redirection, it is often desirable still to have the capability to make private calls from the home connection. It is thus possible to provide for the modification of the information data to be suppressed for this one call by dialing a specific code, which is identified by the public switching center for the home work station. It is thus very easy to distinguish in the public switching center for the home connection whether a call that is currently being made is a business call or a private call, so that separate accounts can be produced.

In the simplest embodiment, the information relating to the telecommunications connections between which redirection is intended to be set up is stored within a table in the public switching centers, with a second telecommunications connection to which a telecommunications link is intended to be redirected being permanently preset for a respective first telecommunications connection. Further claims relate to more flexible extension of the method according to the invention. For example, it may be desirable to have the capability to register for call redirection from any desired external connection, and for the second connection to which telecommunications links should be redirected to be stated only on registration. This then makes it possible, for example, for telephone calls to be redirected from a company work station to any desired connection at which someone is temporarily accessible (for example to a hotel connection while travelling on business). Furthermore, it is possible to redirect the links to a mobile telephone.

On the basis of a further aspect of the invention and according to the independent claim 11, a system is proposed by means of which such a redirection method can be carried out. A major component of the system is

5 a switching center which is linked to the company connection and has means for storage of the connection identification of the company connection, of the connection identification of the home connection, and of status information which states whether the

10 redirection should be carried out. Furthermore, the switching center includes means for redirection of telecommunications links. In the same way, the home connection is linked to a further switching center, which likewise has means for storage of information

15 defining the response of the home connection. Furthermore, this switching center however, also includes means for modification of the information data, in order, according to the invention, to reflect another connection identification.

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The invention will be explained in more detail in the following text with reference to the attached drawing, in which:

25 Figure 1 shows a scheme for the telecommunications connections and switching centers involved in the method according to the invention;

Figure 2 shows the redirection of telecommunications

30 links which have been set up to the company work station, to the home work station;

Figure 3 shows the setting up of telecommunications links from the home work station;

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Figure 4 shows the response of the home connection for private and business telephone calls.

The method according to the invention is preferably implemented by means of Centrex (Central Office Exchange Service). This means a service packet in the public network, which provides means to set up a corporate network with extension functions. A Centrex makes it possible to combine the first telecommunications connection A1 at the company work station with the second telecommunications connection A2, that is to say the home connection, logically in the network-wide so-called Centrex group. In the example illustrated in Figure 1, the first telecommunications connection A1 is part of a private branch exchange PBX, which has at least one further exchange connection A4. This private branch exchange PBX is linked to the telecommunications network N via the public switching center VST1 for the private branch exchange PBX. This public switching center VST1 has a memory apparatus, referred to in the following text as a teleworker list L1, which allows rapid access to the data for that teleworker, and the numbers of his company connection A1 and his home connection A2. Furthermore, status information is stored for each pair of connections A1, A2 stored in the teleworker list L1, stating whether redirection should or should not be carried out. Similar information is also stored in a second teleworker list L2, which is part of the public switching center VST2 for the home connection A2. This defines the intended reaction of the home connection A2 when setting up telecommunications links.

Call redirection is activated by the teleworker from his home connection A2 by entering a predetermined access code, followed by a personal PIN number, to identify him. This is identified by the switching center VST2 for the home connection A2, the registration status is modified as appropriate, and information is also passed to the switching center VST1 for the company connection A1. Call redirection can be

deactivated once again, as well, in the same way. It is then, for example, possible to record the times of registration and deregistration, and thus the teleworker's working hours, as well.

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The complete registration process is preferably carried out directly from the teleworker's home connection A2. However, it might also be necessary for the teleworker to report a call redirection to the private branch exchange PBX from his company connection A1 when leaving the company work station, with call redirection not finally being activated until he is at home. However, since the teleworker is unable to receive calls in the intervening time period, it is possible for links which have been set up to the company connection A1 to be passed during this time period to a mailbox M which is part of the public switching center VST1 for the company connection A1, with this mailbox M then receiving messages, or emitting an appropriate announcement.

Figure 2 shows the redirection process according to the invention for telecommunications links which have been set up to the company work station A1 of the teleworker. If, for example, a customer dials on his external connection A3 the number of the company work station A1 of the teleworker, then a link is first of all set up to the public switching center VST1 for the company work station A1. However, on the basis of the information stored in the teleworker list L1, the public switching center VST1 identifies the fact that the call should be redirected to the telecommunications connection A2. The telecommunications link is then redirected directly from there, so that the lines between the public switching center VST1 and the company private branch exchange PBX are not loaded. Furthermore, this redirection is not evident to the telecommunications connection A3, so that, from his





If is also possible to provide for the teleworker to make and receive private calls from his home connection A2, even after registering for call redirection. In this case, he first of all dials a specific control  
 5 code, in order temporarily to suppress the modification of the information data, and he then dials the desired telephone number. The private number of the connection A2 rather than the company number of the connection A1, then appears at the connection being called.

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Figure 4 shows the response of the home connection A2 and of the public switching center VST2, once again schematically. When call redirection is not activated (top) the connection A2 behaves like a normal private  
 15 telephone connection, with the private subscriber profile TP1. This subscriber profile TP1 states, for example, the telephone number of which the connection A2 can be accessed, and whether this connection A2 has any associated additional services (call waiting,  
 20 mailbox etc.). In addition, the data which is required for call redirection and which defines the teleworker profile TP2 is already stored in the teleworker list L2, although initially it has no influence on the behavior of the connection A2.

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When the teleworker registers for call redirection, then the connection A2 is also associated with the teleworker profile TP2. The actual response of the connection A2 then depends on the incoming and outgoing  
 30 telecommunications links. When a link is set up to the connection A2 which was initially set up to the company connection A1 but was then redirected, or if, after registering for call redirection, the teleworker dials a number, the connection A2 responds on the basis of  
 35 the teleworker profile TP2 in the same way as the company connection A1. In the case of incoming links which have been set up by dialing the private number or by entering the previously mentioned control code, the





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exchange (PBX), and has been set up to the first telecommunications connection (A1) is redirected to the public switching center (VST1) for the first telecommunications connection (A1) or for the private  
 5 branch exchange (PBX), and from there to the second telecommunications connection (A2).

5. The method as claimed in claim 4,  
 characterized  
 10 in that, when an extension-internal connection identification is entered, a telecommunications link which originates from the second telecommunications connection (A2) is passed to the private branch  
 exchange (PBX) and to the corresponding private branch  
 15 exchange connection (A4).

6. The method as claimed in one of the preceding  
 claims,  
 characterized in that the process of modifying the  
 20 information data can be temporarily switched off by entering a specific control signal.

7. The method as claimed in one of the preceding  
 claims,  
 25 characterized  
 in that this method can be activated from the second telecommunications connection (A2) by entering a pre-determined access code.

8. The method as claimed in one of the preceding  
 claims,  
 characterized  
 in that the second telecommunications connection (A2),  
 which is associated with the first telecommunications  
 35 connection (A1, A5), is permanently preset.

9. The method as claimed in one of claims 1 to 8,  
 characterized

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in that the second telecommunications connection (A2), which is associated with the first telecommunications connection (A1, A5), can be selected freely by transmission of a control signal when the redirection method  
5 is activated.

10. A system for redirection of telecommunications links, which have been set up to a first telecommunications connection (A1, A5), to a second telecommunications connection (A2), having:  
10 a switching center (VST1) which is linked to the first telecommunications connection (A1, A5) and has means (L1) for storage of the connection identification of the first telecommunications connection (A1, A5), of  
15 the connection identification of the second telecommunications connection (A2), of status information which states whether the redirection should be carried out, and means for redirection of telecommunications links to the second connection (A2);

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a second switching center (VST2), which is linked to the second telecommunications connection (A2) and has means for storage of the connection identification of the first telecommunications connections (A1, A5) and  
 5 of the connection identification of the second telecommunications connection (A2), and has means for modification of information data which reflects a connection identification.

10 11. The system as claimed in claim 10, characterized  
 in that said system also includes a private branch exchange (PBX), when the first telecommunications connection (A1) being integrated in this private branch  
 15 exchange (PBX), and the private branch exchange (PBX) having means for storage of information which states whether telecommunications links which have been set up to the first telecommunications connection (A1) should be redirected.

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## Abstract

# Method and system for redirection of telecommunications links

In a method for redirection of telecommunications links, telecommunications links which have been set up to a first telecommunications connection (A1) are redirected to a second telecommunications connection (A2), and information data which reflects a connection identification is also transmitted. When setting up a telecommunications link from the second telecommunications connection (A2) to a third telecommunications connection (A3), the information data is modified such that it reflects the connection identification of the first telecommunications connection (A1) instead of the connection identification of the second telecommunications connection (A2).

Figure 3

FIG 1

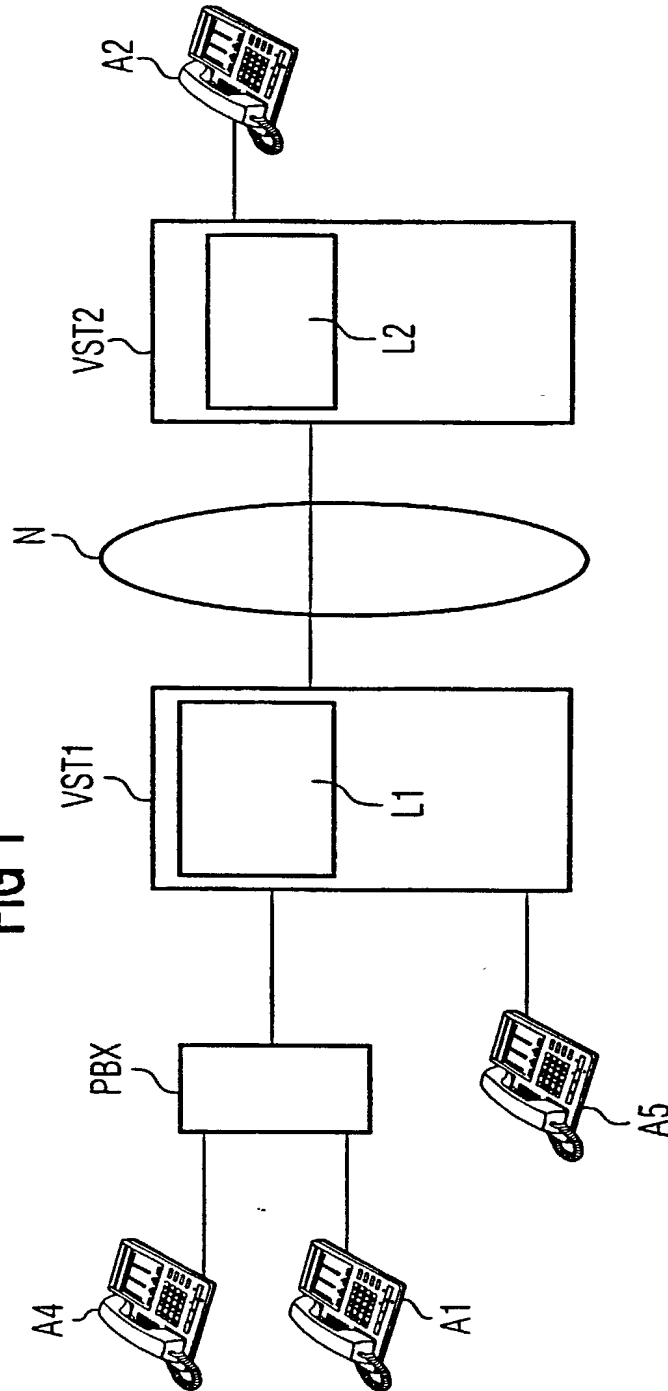
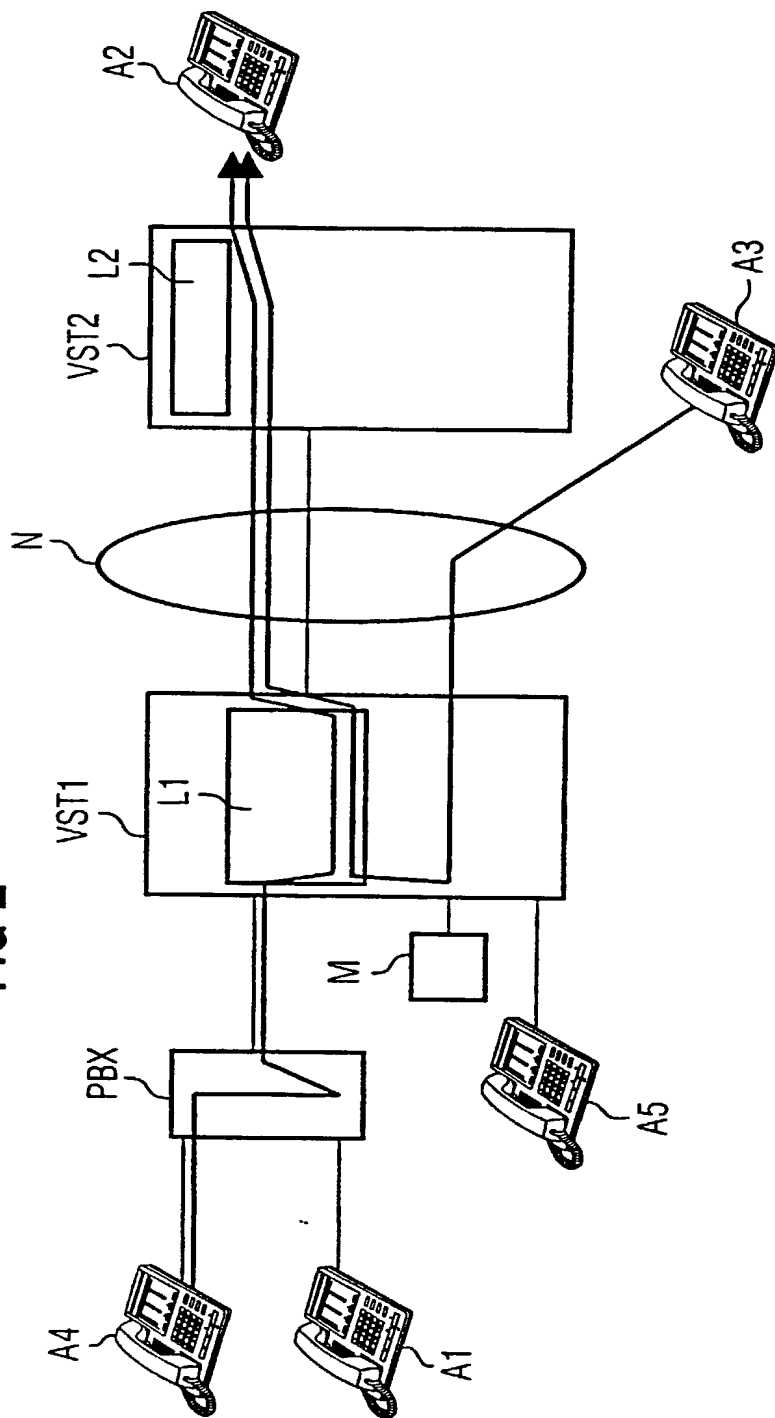


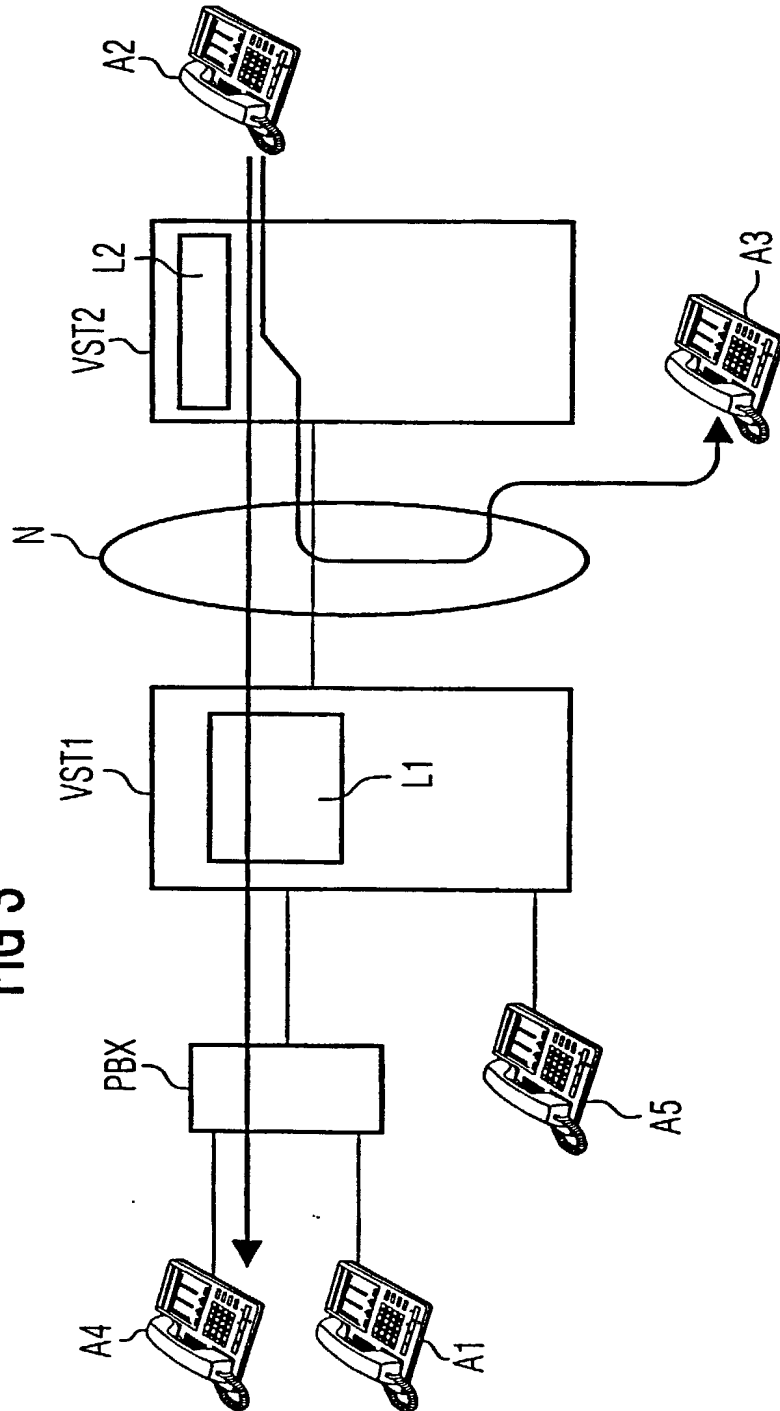


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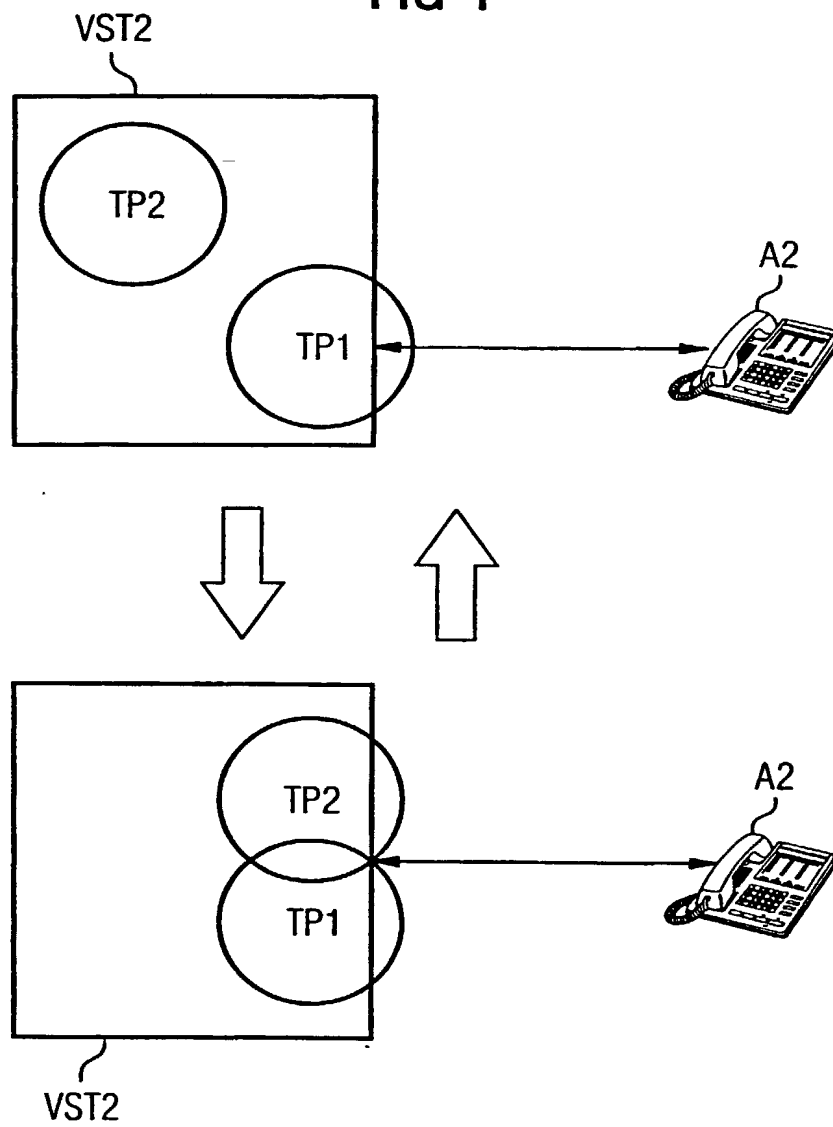
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FIG 4



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